

Gill Wacey application statement for the post of Iaido Grading Officer, due for re-election at the 2018 AGM:

I have been a member of the BKA for 15 years. I initially began practicing Jodo in 2003 at Morley College with my teacher Bean Sensei.

15 years on, I remain a member of the BKA and stay a committed student of Bean Sensei.

I have achieved Godan in Iaido and Sandan in Jodo and was selected for the Jodo squad on more than one occasion.

I have assisted the previous two grading offices on a number of occasions and am familiar with the entire process involved, including the preparation, administration and execution of an Iaido grading.

I feel now is the right time for me to make this application and give something back to the BKA for being the organisation it has been, and allowing me the platform to be able to learn, study, practice, and visit different dojo's.

I have met and been taught by some truly wonderful and remarkable people, and I continue to meet more practitioners, who come together to train hard and share their experiences, and this is what Budo is all about.

I say to you all, with the best will in the world, I do hope for harmony and a cohesive relationship between all.

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